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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Personnel

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Day Care Center Study

REFERENCE:

Memorandum from AD/Personnel to A/DDA,

dtd 5 Dec 1977, Same Subject (PERS 77-3740)

I read your memorandum of 5 December on the day care center idea. Let me be sure that we don't let some bureaucratic hurdles stand in our way of evaluating this proposal adequately.

- a. It is not my feeling that we should use appropriated funds for this activity. I'm not opposed to doing so if appropriate but I wouldn't want the idea to falter on the lack of authority to use appropriated funds.
- b. Space is indeed going to be a problem. I wonder if it would be possible to build a small building on the grounds that would do nothing but this. We could perhaps borrow funds for construction and amortize it over a period of operation.
- I would mention an idea that was given to me by Congressman Fisher. He thought there are professional corporations which run day care centers, just as there are corporations to provide food for academic and health institutions. If we could find one of them and have them take a survey to see whether we could make such a thing pay, it might be worth our effort.
- d. Once we determine whether it's at all feasible, it seems to me the big question is what number of customers we would have and hence whether we could make it attractive financially to those who would use it.

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